



# BIOGRAPHIES

## UNITED STATES SOUTHERN COMMAND

### **Kenneth E. Tovo**

**Lieutenant General, United States Army  
Military Deputy Commander  
United States Southern Command**

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Lieutenant General Ken Tovo serves as the Military Deputy Commander of U.S. Southern Command, Miami, Florida; Southern Command conducts military operations and promotes security cooperation throughout the 16 million square mile area of Latin America and the Caribbean.

Lieutenant General Ken Tovo was commissioned from the United States Military Academy into the Infantry in 1983. After serving his initial tour with the 82nd Airborne Division, LTG Tovo completed the Special Forces Qualification course and transferred to the Special Forces. He served as a Special Forces Detachment, Company, Battalion, and Group Commander in the 10th Special Forces Group (Airborne).

Additional assignments included serving as a plans officer with 1st SFOD-Delta and Joint Headquarters Center (NATO); Aide-de-Camp to the Commander, SFOR, Bosnia; Chief of Staff, U.S. Army Special Operations Command; Deputy Commanding General, Special Operations Command Europe (SOCEUR); Deputy Commanding General, 1st Armored Division/U.S. Division Center, Iraq; Commanding General, Special Operations Command Central (SOCCENT); and Commanding General Combined Security Transition Command-Afghanistan and NATO Training Mission-Afghanistan (CSTC-A/NTM-A).

LTG Tovo's operational assignments include the first Gulf War, refugee relief operations in Northern Iraq, noncombatant evacuation operations in Sierra Leone, peacekeeping operations in Bosnia on two occasions, five tours in Iraq, and one tour in Afghanistan.



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